the question put, That the house assent to the same? Determined in the

negative.

The house proceeded to ballot for a committe clerk; the ballots being deposited in the ballot box, on examination thereof by the chief and assistant clerks, in the presence of the house, it appeared that Walter W. Mitchell was elected. Ordered that he qualify as such.

On motion by Mr. Stevens, the following message was read:

By the House of Delegates, Dec. 28, 1825.

Gentlemen of the Senate,

We have received your message informing us that your honourable body had formed a house, and are ready to proceed with the business of the session; we have also formed a quorum, and have chosen the honourable Benedict I. Semmes speaker, and John Brewer chief clerk; and propose to sit, for the dispatch of public business, from 9 o'clock in the. morning until 3 o'clock in the evening.

By order.

John Brewer, Clk. On motion by Mr. Kennedy, the question was put, That the words nine o'clock, be stricken out and the words 10 o'clock be inserted in lieu thereof?

The yeas and nays being required appeared as follow:

AFFIRMATIVE. Speaker Banning Hughlett Kugour Milliss Tyson Millard Teackle Merrick Gough Benj. I. Jones Kershner Welch Beall Jacques Boon Barrette Kennedy Wickes Ridout Lansdale Harris Speed Maxey Ridgaway Hughes Estep Hopper Willson M Smith Stevens Perry Garner Sudler Reid Rogerson Parker Blair Eddin Sam. R Smith Arinstrong-16. M'Culloh

NEGATIVE. Hawkins Brohawn. Sappington Gantt Douglass Montgomery Linthicum **Eccleston**  ${f W}$ illiams Backett Grubb Hall Brooke Gilpin Potter Dalrymple Harlan Keene Shower Hooper Saulsbury—25 Turner Cockey Ennalls

Mitchell

Farquhar

Barnes Resolved in the affirmative.

On motion by Mr. Millard, the question was put, That the words "three o'clock" be stricken out for the purpose of inserting 6 o'clock? Determined in the negative.

On motion by Mr. Gantt, "3 o'clock" was stricken out and "four

o'clock" inserted.

Goldsborough

The message was then assented to and sent to the senate.

On motion by Mr. Teackle, the order relative to furnishing the house with newspapers was reconsidered, and the following adopted in lieu inercot.